

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-53 are restricted into Group I, claims 1-17; Group II, claims 19-29, 36, 41, 42, 48 and 53; Group III, claims 30-40, 43, 47, and 49-52. Claims 41, 42, 48 and 53 are canceled by this communication. Claims 1-40, 43-47, and 49-52 are now pending.

Applicant elects Group II, claims 19-29 and 36 for prosecution without traverse.

Applicant elects the block copolymer of claim 3 as the species of the first block, in the disposition of ABA block copolymer with respect to the second block, for examination.

Applicant elects the conjugate of claim 7 as the species of conjugate for examination.

Claims 19-29 and 36 all read upon the elected block copolymer of claim 3 as the species of the first block and the elected conjugate of claim 7 as the species of conjugate.

The undersigned authorizes the examiner to charge any fees that may be required or credit of any overpayment to be made to Deposit Account No. 07-1850.

**CONCLUSION**

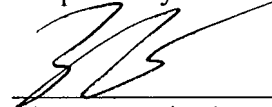
If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (415) 393-9885.

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